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I Have often thought that a Publick Writer could not employ his Time better, than in conſidering the Errors into which Men are apt to fall, in judging of the Merit of Writers, and particularly of ſuch as aſſume to themſelves the Honour of writing in the Service of their Country. By this I do not mean judging of their Worth or Probities as Men of Virtue, but of their Abilities as Men of Senſe, or Men of Taſte. I am the rather led to this, becauſe the Decrees of ſome Writers whom I need not name, have turned many People's Heads, and render'd them incapable of judging as thoſe furious and partial Men could poſſibly wiſh them to be. To ſtem this Torrent; to prevent *Billingſgate* from obtaining the Name of *Rhetorick*; to aſſert the Rights of Mankind; to proceeding to the Light of Reaſon, and from eſtabliſh'd Principles, is the Deſign I have in view. This, as I conceive, unting'd with Party Spirit, Intereſt, as by any Private Prejudices, and which carried on with the greateſt Succeſs will tend as much to the Advantage of the Scribes in the Service of the Miniſtration, as to that of the Friends of the Adminiſtration. Supposing always that the former have in fact as good a Title to Fame, as they boaſt of every Week. Laying aſide, however, all Suſpicion of Partiality, I ſhall at this Moment ſay nothing of Politicks, but confine my Obſervations on Stile and Taſte, to Writers of the firſt Claſs; leaving the Application, with reſpect to inferior Gentlemen, to every ingenious Reader: Having already beheld it in the Light of a moſt unreaſonable and inſulting Act of Preſumption, for a Man to take upon him to be a Judge, in a Cauſe wherein he is a Party.

That there have been in all Ages good and bad Writers, is not controverted: But that thoſe Writers have not always met with ſuch a Reception as they deſerv'd, that is, that good Writers have been univerſally applauded, and bad ones generally condemn'd, is a Thing that no one of tolerable Learning will venture to affirm. *Virgil* and *Homer* were, in their Time, allowed by Men of the firſt Rank, Writers of exalted Characters, and yet both of them ſtruggled with ſome Difficulties, and met with conſiderable Detractors; which tho' their Excellence and good Fortune enabled them to overcome, yet certainly that Fame againſt which they inveighed, had Power enough to ſink and deſtroy many good and valuable Authors whom they mention and commend, and who are now ſtanding are not to be found, nor were to be found many Ages ago. The ſame Complaints we meet with in *Petrarch*, *Boccace*, and other *Italian* Writers. Never was this Subject ſo often and ſo well handled as by the inimitable *Cervantes*, the ever-memorable Author of *Don Quixote*. It would be an eaſy and pleaſant Thing to collect Inſtances in Proof of this; but it is ſufficient for my preſent Purpoſe to obſerve, that tho' his Works were tranſlated into many Languages in his Life-time, yet ſuch was the Author's unhappy Fate, that he lived to be very old, and very poor, and died ſo little in the good Graces of his Countrymen, that nobody ever had the Curioſity even to aſk him where he was born: Whereas there are now as eager Diſputes in *Spain* on this Head, as heretofore in *Greece* about the Birth-place of *Homer*. In our own Country the celebrated *Spencer* met the ſame Reflections, and with the ſame Reaſon. If we therefore all theſe Things together, we may well conclude, that in all Ages and Countries, judicious, well-meaning, and capable Authors, have been very indifferently treated by their Co temporaries, and it ſhould ſeem that the Want of Applauſe is not always a Proof that a Man does not deſerve it.

On the other hand, nothing is more notorious than that very bad Writers have been greatly eſteemed in the Age wherein they lived; nay, not only ſo, but they have had Credit enough to eſtabliſh the fantaſtical Modes of a narrow and conſtrained Geniuſſes as Standards of Wit and Eloquence. Hence all the whimſical Productions of which we have Specimens in the *Greek* Miſcellanies, and which have in almoſt every Age been revived and imitated in ſome Country or other. Hence Anagrams, Acroſticks, Echoes, and a Multitude of other fooliſh Fancies, introduced by low Wits, but by the Authority of a vitiated Taſte ſometimes countenanced by Men of great Parts and true Capacity. Hence that Affectation of Bombaſt Obſcurity which *Quintilian* repreſents as the reigning Folly of the Age in which he lived, which diſcover'd itſelf here in the latter Part of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, and grew the common Theme of Admiration under her immediate Succeſſors: Which, as I take it, is the only Reaſon that among the many Men of Parts who then flouriſh'd, the Works of ſo few are in eſteem at this day. Indeed, if we ſpeak the Truth, it muſt be confeſs'd, that even thoſe few are not entirely free from this Affectation of the dark Sublime, as muſt be obvious to any careful Reader of *Osborne*'s Works; tho' in the celebrated Advice to his Son he acknowledges it to be a very great Fault, and as ſuch adviſes him to avoid it. Hence that Fondneſs for *Point* in Poetry which ſo long prevail'd, and thoſe everlaſting Antitheſes diſcernible in the Proſe of the Authors of the next Age. From all this I conclude, that the Applauſe of the preſent Age, or of any ſingle Age, is but an Interlocutory Judgment in favour of any Author, and may be reverſed at any Time hereafter, if good Cauſe can be ſhewn.

This will appear the more clearly, if we conſider that the Humour of the Age, or the Humour of a People, often eſtabliſhes Wrong for Right in other Matters. For inſtance, What could be more contrary to Reaſon, Humanity, and Politeneſs, than the Shews of *Gladiators* which were ſo generally admired at *Rome*, not only in the Decline of the Commonwealth, and when ſhe fell under the Power of bloody and tyrannical Emperors, but even in her moſt flouriſhing State, when the *Romans* were allowed to be the wiſeſt, moſt humane, and the politeſt People? What more inconſiſtent with the Doctrines of the Chriſtian Religion than *Bull-Feaſts*, which to this Day are the Delight of the *Spaniards*; while they pique themſelves upon being good Chriſtians, and every private Man as well as the King would take it amiſs if you refuſed him the Title of *Moſt Catholick*? What more contradictory not only to the Laws of Morality and Religion, but to the Rules of Civility and Good-Breeding, than the Cuſtom of *Duels*, which ſo long and ſo generally prevail'd in *France*? If therefore Ages and Nations, as well as Private Men in all Ages and all Nations, are ſubject to Humours which influence them ſo far as to act openly, conſtantly, and confeſſedly againſt Reaſon, in the Judgments they make in certain Things, why not in their Judgments of Books and Authors? What Ground is there to believe, that thoſe whom we ſee fallible in ſo many other Reſpects, ſhould never err in this? Or what Obligation are we under to ſubmit to the Humour of an Age in this Particular, which we think we have a Right to diſpute in other Particulars; and which for this very Reaſon we make it our Glory not only to diſpute but to deſpiſe, that we may appear zealous Votaries to Truth, and Men ſo much attach'd to Juſtice, as to be ready to eſpouſe her Cauſe when ſhe has the leaſt Company about her.

It is eaſy to ſee, that from hence an Objection may be raiſed tending to overturn all that I have been endeavouring to eſtabliſh. For it may be ſaid, that if the Caſe be as I have ſtated it, Taſte is a precarious thing, depending purely on the prevailing Humour of an Age, and therefore not to be rely'd upon; whence it would follow, that there is no Standard in Writing, becauſe the Judgment of the Generality of Men at one time is as good as their Judgment at another. Before I reply particularly to this, it may not be improper to obſerve, that by the ſame Strain of Argument the very Notion of Beauty would be baniſh'd out of the World. For about what have Men differed more than as to this? What ſtrikes us with Admiration in *Europe* is little ſet by in *Aſia*, and accounted Deformity in *Africk*. What with us is Beauty, is not eſteemed ſo either in the *North* or in *Italy*. Nay, what is ſtill more extraordinary, we ourſelves account thoſe Imperfections, which our Anceſtors held for Graces. But in ſpite of all this, it is ſure no Paradox to aſſert, that there were, are, and will be Beauties in all Ages. The Point is, to determine who are the proper Judges of Beauty? In anſwer to which I ſay, that the proper Judges of Beauty in all Ages and in all Caſes are ſuch and ſuch only as are guided by Reaſon, and not by Humour or Fancy. By Reaſon, I mean the Power of aſſigning juſt and cogent Arguments in ſupport of every Deciſion; by Humour, I mean an arbitrary Judgment unſupported by any Arguments; and by Fancy, the reſolving of all Arguments into the Will and Pleaſure of the Perſon taking upon himſelf to judge. I ſay farther, that the Bulk of Mankind having in all Ages been ſubject to Humour and Fancy, much more than to Reaſon, This is the true Cauſe why many good Writers have been little eſteemed in their Times, and why many bad ones have obtained great Applauſe. This being a proper Solution of the Objection, I think there is no farther Danger of its ſubverting what I before laid down, and therefore I ſhall proceed to ſhew, that the Account I have given of the Matter is founded in Fact as well as in Opinion, which I preſume will make the Fact perfectly clear.

There have been in former Ages Authors who have written with great Applauſe, and who have in Proceſs of Time loſt their Credit; whereas on the other hand, there have likewiſe been Authors who have gathered Fame through the Courſe of many Ages. As among the *Greeks*, *Homer*, *Heſiod*, and *Theocritus*, have ever been allowed to excell in Poetry; *Ariſtotle*, *Plato*, and *Xenophon*, in various Branches of Philoſophy; *Herodotus*, *Thucydides*, and *Plutarch*, in ſeveral Kinds of Hiſtory; we know likewiſe, that amongſt the *Romans*, *Virgil* wrote admirably in all the ſeveral Kinds of Poetry for which the *Greek* Writers I mention'd were renown'd; *Cicero*, *Seneca*, and *Pliny* were alſo great Philoſophers; and *Livy*, *Salluſt*, and *Cornelius Nepos* were admirable Writers of Hiſtory. I might have inſtanced many more from amongſt the Ancients, and I might ſwell this Catalogue by mentioning many Writers of later Date; but I do not take this Method, becauſe I have no Intention to make a Parade of Learning, no Deſign to withdraw the Reader's Attention from the main Point in queſtion, by leading him into a Labyrinth of Quotations, but have barely cited what is ſufficient for my Purpoſe, and from the Conſideration of which it muſt be clear, That Judgments founded in Reaſon abide for ever, and that conſequently, tho' Humour and Whim may ſometimes denominate Taſte, yet that is merely with reſpect to Time or Place, the Taſte of ſuch an Age, or of ſuch a Country, and hath nothing to do with the true and ſtable Taſte, which in all Times and in all Places will prevail, amongſt Men of good Senſe and clear Heads, that is, with capable Judges.

Theſe things thus ſettled, there remains yet one Point to be ſpoken to, and that is, How thoſe Rules may be collected which will enable every capable and candid Reader to judge with Certainty, or, in other Words, to read with Taſte. In reſpect to this my Opinion is, that the only Method we can take is, To read conſtantly, coſly, and with much Deliberation, thoſe Authors who have ſtood the Teſt of Ages, and are on all hands acknowledged excellent; for from them we may eaſily collect ſuch Knowledge with regard to Matter and Method, to Sentiment and Expreſſion, to Senſe and Stile, as will by Compariſon furniſh us with juſt Ideas of the Worth of any modern Book we read, and enable us to decide, by Reaſon not by Rote, on the Writings of our Cotemporaries. But it may be ſaid, that the Means I inſiſt upon will require much Time and Application, which many People have not to ſpare: To which I anſwer, That the End is of ſuch Importance as may very well balance the Time and Trouble neceſſary to compaſs the Means. I ſay farther, that if a Man cannot ſpare the Time, or is unwilling to give himſelf the Trouble neceſſary to attain that Knowledge which would render him a competent Judge of the Merit of Books, Writings, and Authors, that then the leaſt he can do is, modeſtly to decline Judging. For if ſuch a Man takes upon him to judge by the Lights given by another Perſon, his Judgment is not his own tho' he pronounces it, but the Judgment of that other Perſon; echoed indeed by him, and with no other Authority than that of an Echo repeating the Sound, without Knowledge of the Senſe; an Office no Man of Underſtanding would be fond of.

Perhaps my Readers may expect, that after treating this Matter ſo largely, I ought to give them a Specimen of the Rules I mention; but as the doing this would take up much more Room than is allowed to an Eſſay of this Sort, I hope they will hold me excuſed, and receive the foregoing Obſervations with the ſame Candor, Sincerity and Good-will with which they are written.

R. FREEMAN.

HOME PORTS.

Dover, Aug 12 Arrived the Partridge, Peirce, from Montſerrat; the Pretty Betſey, Hawkins, from Oporto; and his Majeſty's Ships Lyme and Cruizer, from the Weſtward. Wind N. W.

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AS I have no Correſpondence with the Worthy Perſon to whom the incloſed Letter is addreſs'd, I beg the Favour of you to let it be conveyed to him thro' your Paper.

Your Humble Servant.

To the CHAMPION.

SIR,

WHEN the Firſt Part of a late Admirable Tranſlation of the moſt Celebrated Poem in our Language appear'd, you was pleas'd to point out to the World ſome of its Perfections: I was ſurpriz'd that you ſhould ſo ſhort in ſo fair a Field. Of all the Pieces I have ever met with, I know nothing ſo entertaining, when we conſider the *Purity* of the *Latin*, the *Delicacy* of the *Sentiments*, or the *Harmony* of the *Numbers*, all equally amazing. To purſue this Work on every one of theſe Heads thoroughly, would require a Volume, not a Letter. However, I will venture at an Inſtance or two of every Sort.

'Dove like ſat'ſt Brooding on the Vaſt Abyſs,
And mad'ſt it Pregnant——— lib. i. v. 21.

——— *lateque ingentibus alis*
Expanſis, volat, ova fovens tepefacta, columba,
Subſi, GRAVIDAM FACIENS FOECUNDUS AËR
EPYSIUM.

'*Dare Puellam Gravidam*,' to make a Girl pregnant, is moſt delightful Latin, little inferior to that Phraſe, *Gignere ſuper Equum*, to get upon a Horſe.

As to its Delicacy of Sentiment, how would *Pamela* herſelf, if ſhe underſtood Latin, be charmed with the Relation of

'*Who Chear'd He his Fair Spouſe, and She was Chear'd*
lib. v. ver. 129.

'*Hic Sponſam pulchram recreavit, et eſt recreata.*'

Nor would Mrs. *Jewkes* be leſs in Love with a Paſſage that comes very ſoon after it:

——She Spous'd, about him twines
Her Marriageable Arms.——— ver. 216.

——Sponſa illa mariſum brachia circum,
Uxoris ritu, dat laſciva, ambitioſa;

The *Uxoris ritu* very much embelliſhes the Senſe, and the Stile is inimitable.

But now that I have a mind to produce ſome Inſtances of the Harmony of Numbers in this Performance, I am at a loſs where to begin, every Page being ſo ſtuff'd with ſo many Flowers of this Kind.

Errantes, prædabundi, terram peragantes.
lib. i. v. 394.

Infeſtit Satanas; meritis iſtum ad malum honorem
Erectus; ſpemque ultra evectus ad hoc, etiam ultra.
lib. ii. v. 5.

Dimiſſum eſt Stygium ſic concilium; ordine magni
v. 525.

Præconis voce altâ interprete; concava abyſſus
v. 536.

Margine ſtans orci Dæmon rabidam hanc in abyſſum
v. 946.

Et Phineus, et Tireſias, vates antiqui.
lib. iii. v. 37.

Problem orituram, omnem quæ terram compleat, ac
' Te
Nobiſcum extollat, bonitate immenſum, et amore;
lib. iv. v. 783.

Talem, ubicunque prehenſum, huc Ducite. Sic
' ubi fatus,
v. 854.

Reptemplex fugientem, atque hanc ſapientiam ad
' orcum
v. 981.

Quod pio in obſequio maneamus; non alia ullâ
v. 555.

Poetry is Muſick, and therefore *Homer* calls upon his Muſe to *ſing* the Anger of *Achilles*, and *Virgil ſings* the Wars of *Æneas*; but neither *Homer* or *Virgil* or any other Bard, ever entertained the Ears of Mortals before with ſuch Numbers as theſe which I have produc'd: How impatient muſt the World be till the reſt of this Immortal Work appears! Then, and not till then, ſhall the ſame Writer's former Tranſlation have an Equal: In the mean while, it is ſtrange to hear that the Perſon who ſome time ſince undertook to put *Milton* into *Latin*, ſtill perſiſts in his Deſign, and it is ſaid he is got to the Ninth Book: But Poets, as their Maſter tells us, are an odd Sort of People; tho' in this Caſe it muſt be own'd, if the Youth miſcarries,

Infelix Puer atque impar congreſſus Achilli:

I am, &c.

Yeſterday arriv'd a Mail from Flanders.

Vienna, Aug. 5. N. S.

WEdneſday laſt, about eight in the Evening the Corpſe of the late Count Daun our Governor, &c. was carry'd from his Houſe to the Aulic Church of the Bareſooted Auguſtins, attended by a great Number of Lords, Ladies, and all the Officers of the Garriſon, and interr'd in the Vault of his Family. Before the Church 500 Men of his Regiment were poſted, who made three Diſcharges of their ſmall Arms, as uſual upon thoſe Occaſions, and there were Maſſes ſaid in the Church for three Days ſucceſſively for his Soul.

Mr. Robinſon having been ſome Days at Presbourg to receive his Orders from the Queen, ſet out for Sileſia with a Commiſſion to attend the King of Pruſſia himſelf, and is afterwards to go to Hanover. 'Tis ſtill reported, that an Accommodation is as good as concluded, but they don't tell us the Preliminaries. Mr. Robinſon alſo carry'd Diſpatches to General Neuperg, directing him to march with his Army towards Glatz, and to ſend ſome Troops towards Bohemia and the Frontiers of Bavaria. The laſt Letters from Neiſs ſay, that General Neuperg is actually march'd with our Army towards Glatz, and gone to incamp at Helkem, and that the King of Pruſſia has caus'd ſome Regiments to march towards Berlin. There ſeems to be ſome Alteration of the King of Pruſſia's Deſigns which we cannot yet penetrate.

Bruſſels, Aug. 18. The Governeſs of the Auſtrian Netherlands was confind to her Chamber on the 14th by a Fever, and next Day the St. Anthony's Fire appear'd in her Right Leg, ſince which ſhe is much better, and her Phyſicians are of Opinion, that this Diſtemper will tend very much to prolong her Days.

AMERICA.

Charleſtown, South-Carolina, May 27. A Half-Galley for the Service of the Government is now on the Stocks and will ſoon be finiſh'd, deſign'd to guard our Coaſt.

Philadelphia, May 28. Laſt Sunday arrived here the little Sloop Victory, Capt. Sibbald, being the ſame that Capt. Drummond took from the Spaniards and made a Tender of, with 2 Carriage Guns, 4 Swivels, and 30 Men. When ſhe was in Jamaica the Men were all preſs'd out of her but ſix or ſeven; and in her Paſſage here, on Friday the 15th Inſtant, they met with a Ship and Sloop, which ſuddenly hoiſting Spaniſh Colours, call'd to the Victory to ſtrike to the King of Spain; but ſhe ran in between them both, gave each a Broadſide, and divided her few Small Shot equally between them; which began an Engagement that laſted five Glaſſes. The Victory receiv'd two Shot in the Hull, one between Wind and Water, three thro' the Counter, two thro' the Cabin, one came into the Gun Room, and lodg'd in the Pump; and her Flying Jib Halliards were twice ſhot away during the Fight: At length the Sloop bore down upon the Victory, in order to board her; as ſhe came near, Capt. Sibbald was preparing to fire one of the Carriage Guns into her; but perceiving he ſhould not have Time, he catch'd up his Musket and ſhot down the Spaniard that was at Helm, and nobody ſupplying the Place for ſome Minutes, the Sloop ſhiver'd up in the Wind, and receiving at the ſame time a warm Salute from the Victory, ſhe thought proper to bear away to the Ship: The Ship fir'd two Shot afterwards, one of which lodg'd in the Maſt, the other paſs'd between two of the Men, took the Side of the Canoe, and cut the Tackle-fall in three Places. Then the Ship and Sloop went away together, and left the Victory to purſue her Voyage. James Pearel was ſhot thro' the Thigh, and died ſeven Days after the Engagement. Robert Wood had a Piece of the Crown of his Hat taken out by a Shot, which ſtunn'd him, as he was charging one of the Swivels, but he preſently recover'd, and went on with his Buſineſs. During the whole Fight the Spaniards behav'd in a very cowardly Manner, and the Men are all of Opinion, that if they had had but ten Hands more, they could have taken them both.

New York, June 2 Saturday laſt two Negro Men were burnt here, according to Sentence paſs'd againſt them by the Supreme Court, for ſetting fire to ſome Houſes, and conſpiring to burn the Town. At the Place of Execution one of them confeſſed that he ſet fire to the Governor's Houſe, the other that he ſet fire to Mr. Phillipſe's Warehouſe, and that the ſame Night the whole City was to have been burnt, but a ſtrong Military Watch prevented their Deſign. A great Number of Negroes are in Jayl, not yet come to Trial. A Military Watch is yet continued in this City.

Yeſterday the two Sloops that were fitted here ſailed out of Sandy Hook, in purſuit of the Spaniſh Privateers that are on our Coaſt.

Philadelphia, June 4. This Day arrived the George Privateer belonging to this Place, from Jamaica: Capt. Drummond who commanded her died on the Paſſage. 'Tis ſaid ſhe has made a very good Voyage.

Boſton, June 8. Laſt Monday ſail'd the Province Snow, Capt. Tyng, on a Cruize after the Spaniſh Privateers lately ſeen off our Southern Coaſts.

Laſt Week a Sloop from Maryland loaden with Wheat ran aſhore in a Fog at Gay-Head; a Veſſel is ſent to take out her Cargo, which 'tis hop'd will be ſav'd, together with the Sloop.

We hear that on the 25th of laſt Month there died at Marlborough, an Indian known by the Name of *Old David*, aged 108 Years laſt Indian Harveſt.

Newport, June 12. Laſt Night we had Advice from Block-Iſland, that a Snow (ſuppoſed to be a Spaniſh Privateer) has been hovering about that Iſland for theſe ſeveral Days paſt, on which the Government immediately equipp'd Capt. Davidſon's Sloop to join the Colony Sloop, both which are now under Sail to go in queſt of that Veſſel.

HOME PORTS.

Falmouth, Aug. 10. In Port, the Hanover Packet for Lisbon.

Plymouth, Aug. 11. Sailed his Majeſty's Ship the Newcaſtle. Remain his Majeſty's Ships the Bridgwater, Fowey, Bonetta, and St. Albans.

Weymouth, Aug. 12. Wind N. Arrived the Mary, Tucker, the Endeavour, Tivito, the Charming Joan, Jeans, the Bleſſing, Gibbs, and the Content, Batham, all of this Place from Newcaſtle. Sailed from Portland Road his Majeſty's Ships the Royal George and Marlborough, with the Storeſhips under their Convoy. Sail'd the Providence, Talbott, for London.

Pool, Aug. 12. Wind N. Sailed the Jane, Ouſley, of and for Plymouth; the Hope, Baker, with a Letter of Marque for Newfoundland. Came in the John and Mary, Bottley, from Sunderland; and the Sarah, Rolls, from Newcaſtle.

Cowes, Aug. 12. Wind W. Came in the St. Catherine, Roberts, from London for Figueira, and ſailed the next Day, with the John, Caghil, from Carolina for Bremen. Sailed the Charles, Harrimond, from London for Carolina; and the Catherine, Perry, from London for Lisbon.

Southampton, Aug. 12. Wind S. W. Arrived the Union, Aſthy, from London. Sailed the Expedition Packet, Mourant, for Guernſey; the Willing Endeavour, Migraud, and the Seven Siſters, Perchard, both of and for Jerſey.

Portſmouth, Aug. 12. Came to St. Helen's Road the St. George, Hart, for Lisbon; the William, Cleare, with Water for the Fleet; the George, Long, the Carter, Malbon, and the Samuel, ——, (Tranſports) for Jamaica; all from London

Dover, Aug. 13. Wind W. S. W. and a ſtrong Gale. Arrived the Expedition, Bruce, from Guiney laſt from Plymouth, and a large Swediſh Ship from Cette for Stockholm.

Deal, Aug. 13. Wind W. S. W. In the Downs his Majeſty's Ship the Dolphin; the Betty, Duncomb, for Guiney; the Phenix, Ancell, for Gibraltar; the John and Thomas, Thompſon, for Liverpool; the Providence, Grace, for Briſtol.

Graveſend, Aug. 13. Paſs'd by the Pembroke, Davis, from Maryland; the Mary, Hammond, from Riga; the Furley, Thompſon, the Truelove, Sterne, and the Robert and Jane, Pemberton, all three from Dantzick; the Margaret and Elizabeth, Landifield, from Stockholm;

holm; the Anna-Dorothea, Nettlebank, from Roſtock; the Hamburgh Exchange, Plahn, from Hamburgh; and the William and Deborah, Mitchell, from Norway.

Arrived

At Lancaſter, the Anne, Poſtlethwaite, from Barbados; the John and Mary, Huntley, from Hull.

At Newcaſtle, the Gold, Hudſon, from N. Carolina.

LONDON, Auguſt 15.

The latter End of laſt Week dy'd at Caſtle Howard in Yorkſhire the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount Morpeth, Knight of the Shire for the ſaid County, and Son of the Right Hon. the Earl of Carliſle.

On Tueſday laſt died at Cambridge Mr. Parſons, formerly Poſtmaſter of that Town: 'Tis ſaid he has by his Will left 1000 l. to Sir George Oxenden, Bart. to Edward Simpſon, Eſq; the preſent Vice-Chancellor of the Univerſity of Cambridge 1000 l. and that he has appointed the Maſter, Fellows and Scholars of Trinity Hall his Reſidentiary Legatees in Truſt for the ſaid College for particular Uſes.

On Wedneſday laſt Mr. Towndrow, Fellow of Jeſus College in Cambridge, was preſented by the Maſter and Fellows of the ſaid College to the Vicarage of all Saints in that Town, void by the Reſignation of the Rev. Ramſden Dodſworth, promoted by his Grace the Duke of Somerſet.

From Lynn we have an Account of the Marriage of one Mrs. Smith, an agreeable youthful Lady of Fourſcore and two, to one Thomas Hunt, aged near Nineteen, an Apprentice to a Perukemaker of Swaffnam in Norfolk. Some ſilly Folks ſay ſhe had got a Colt's Tooth in her Head, tho' 'tis well known ſhe has not had a Tooth of any kind in her Head for many Years.

Yeſterday was held a Board of Admiralty, when the Lords Commiſſioners were pleaſed to appoint Mr. Latham to be Lieutenant of the Dartmouth, of 50 Guns.

High Water this Day at London-Bridge	Morning	01	Evening	02 20
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Bank Stock 140 1-4th to 140 to 140 1-4th. India 154 1-half to 154. South Sea 101 1-8th to 100 1-half. Old Annuity 111 7-8ths to 1-half to 3 4ths. New ditto 109 7 8ths to 5-8ths to 7 8ths. Three per Cent. 98 3-4ths. Seven per Cent. Loan nothing done. Five per Cent. ditto 76 1-half. Royal Aſſurance 90. London Aſſurance 11 1-4th. African 10. India Bonds 4 l. 5 s. to 1 s. Premium. Bank Circulation 61. Salt Tallies 1-half Prem. Engliſh Copper 31. 15 s. Welſh ditto 15 s. Three 1-half per Cent. Exchequer Orders 101 1-half. Three per Cent. ditto 95 1-half. Million Bank 114. Equivalent 112.

Bank, June 1, 1740.

WHEREAS JOHN WAITE, *late one of the Caſhiers of the* Bank of England, *about Forty Years of Age, and about Five Foot Eight Inches high, well ſet, round viſag'd, ſmall grey Eyes, very light Eye-brows and Eye laſhes, and of a moſt remarkable freſh Complection, abſented himſelf on Wedneſday the 13th of May laſt from his Duty at the Bank, and is ſuppoſed to have ſecreted, or taken away with him from the Bank, Eaſt-India Bonds, amounting to a conſiderable Value;*

And Whereas Warrants are iſſued for Apprehending and Taking the ſaid John Waite, *This is to give Notice, That whoever ſhall apprehend and ſecure the ſaid* John Waite, *to be dealt with according to Law, ſhall receive of the ſaid Governor and Company the Sum of Three hundred Pounds over and above the Two hundred Pounds offered in former Advertiſements,* in the Whole Five hundred Pounds.

David Legroſs, *Secretary.*

Admiralty Office, Auguſt 11, 1741.

THE *Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty having ordered the Petty-Officers and Seamen belonging to His Majeſty's Ships the Lark, Angleſea, Advice, Flamborough, Southſea Caſtle, and Loweſtoffe, to be turned over into the following Ships at the Nore; viz. Thoſe belonging to the Lark and Angleſea, into the Sandwich; thoſe belonging to the Advice and Flamborough, into the Neptune; and thoſe belonging to the Southſea-Caſtle and Loweſtoffe, into the Barfleur; Their Lordſhips do hereby direct, That the Seamen belonging to the above-mentioned Ships who are now on Shore, do repair on board the Ships they are ordered to be turned into, on or before the 15th of this Month; where they will be forthwith paid the Wages due to them for the Ships they are turned over from, and alſo Two Months Wages Advance for the Ships they are turned into. But if any of them fail to repair on board by the Time ordered, they will not only forfeit their Wages, but will be taken up, and tried for Deſertion. If any of the ſaid Seamen will apply to the Regulating Captains at their Office in Mark Lane, they will take Care to ſend them down in Tenders to their Ships at the Nore.* Thomas Corbett.

Admiralty Office, Auguſt 11, 1741.

HIS *Majeſty's Ship the* Kennington, *at Portſmouth, being under ſailing Orders, and her Company being forthwith to be paid their Wages to the 31ſt of December laſt, It is the Direction of the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty, that ſuch of the Seamen belonging to the ſaid Ship as are abſent from her do immediately repair to their Duty on board; or otherwiſe, they will not only loſe the above-mentioned Payment, but will alſo forfeit all their Wages due in that Ship, and be taken up and try'd as Deſerters.* Tho. Corbett.

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